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2. 人	herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice Of Allowance And Issue Fee Due or other appropriate communication will be sent in due
3.\X	course. The allowed claims are
_	The drawings filed on are acceptable.
5. 🗆	Acknowledgment is made of the claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. 119. The certified copy has [_] been received. [_] not been received. [_] been filed in parent application Serial No
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	Note the attached Examiner's Amendment.
	Note the attached Examiner Interview Summary Record, PTOL-413.
	Note the attached Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance.
	Note the attached NOTICE OF REFERENCES CITED, PTO-892.
0.(又	Note the attached INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION, PTO-1449.
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ROM	PATENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR RESPONSE to comply with the requirements noted below is set to EXPIRE THREE MONTHS THE "DATE MAILED" indicated on this form. Failure to timely comply will result in the ABANDONMENT of this application. iions of time may be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).
1	Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPLICATION, PTO-152, which discloses that the oath or declaration is deficient. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION IS REQUIRED. APPLICANT MUST MAKE THE DRAWING CHANGES INDICATED BELOW IN THE MANNER SET FORTH ON THE REVERSE SIDE
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a.\	Drawing informalities are indicated on the NOTICE RE PATENT DRAWINGS, PTO-948, attached hereto or to Paper No.
<u>_</u>	CORRECTION IS REQUIRED: Q - 110 - Q 4
b.)	CORRECTION IS REQUIRED. The proposed drawing correction filed on 9-16-94 has been approved by the examiner. CORRECTION IS REQUIRED.
C.	☐ Approved drawing corrections are described by the examiner in the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT. CORRECTION IS . REQUIRED.
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Part III DETAILED ACTION

Election/Restriction

1. Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:

Group I. Claims 54-55, drawn to apparatus for inhibiting theft of portable equipment having a remote unit and a base unit and a indicator for detecting when the remote unit is moved away from the base unit, classified in Class 70, subclass 441.

Group II. Claims 56-66, drawn to apparatus for inhibiting theft of portable equipment having a housing and mounting arrangement attached to the portable equipment and a cable attaching for attaching to an article other than the piece of equipment, classified in Class 70, subclass 58.

The inventions are distinct, each from the other because of the following reasons:

2. Inventions I and II are disclosed as different combinations which are not connected in design, operation or effect. These combinations are independent if it can be shown that (1) they are not disclosed as capable of use together, (2) they have different modes of operation, (3) they have different functions, or (4) they have different effects. (MPEP 806.04, MPEP 808.01). In the instant case the combinations although potentially useable together have different modes of operation, different functions

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and different effects. Invention I is used as an attention directing mechanism for alerting movement of the base member with respect to a remote unit. Invention II is a connector for attachment to a predimensioned aperture in the portable piece of equipment. The connector has a cable for attaching the portable piece of equipment to another article to prevent theft.

- 3. Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and have acquired a separate status in the art as shown by their different classification, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper.
- 4. Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and the search required for Group I is not required for Group II, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper.
- 5. Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and have acquired a separate status in the art because of their recognized divergent subject matter, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper.
- 6. During a telephone conversation with Michael Woods on October 19, 1995 a provisional election was made with traverse to prosecute the invention of , claims 56-66. Affirmation of this election must be made by applicant in responding to this Office action. Claims 54-55 are withdrawn from further consideration by

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the Examiner, 37 C.F.R. § 1.142(b), as being drawn to a nonelected invention.

7. Applicant is reminded that upon the cancellation of claims to a non-elected invention, the inventorship must be amended in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(b) if one or more of the currently named inventors is no longer an inventor of at least one claim remaining in the application. Any amendment of inventorship must be accompanied by a diligently-filed petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(b) and by the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h).

Examiner's Amendment

8. An Examiner's Amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 C.F.R. § 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the Issue Fee.

Authorization for this Examiner's Amendment was given in a telephone interview with Michael Woods on October 19, 1995.

- 9. The application has been amended as follows: Cancel claims 54-55 without prejudice.
- 10. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Darnell Boucher whose telephone number is (703) 308-2492.

D.M. Boucher October 19, 1995 Daniell M. Boucher
PATENT EXAMINER
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THE APPLICATION IDENTIFIES ABOVE HAS BEEN EXAMINED AND IS ALLOWED FOR ISSUANCE AS A PATENT. PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS CLOSED.

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